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Title: The Minister of State in the Ministry of Planning laid a statement regarding the status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 38th Report of the Standing Committee on Finance on Demands for Grants (2006-07), pertaining to the Ministry of Planning.

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (SHRI M.V. RAJASEKHARAN): I beg to lay on the Table a copy in Hindi and English on the status of implementation of recommendations contained in the Thirty Eighth Report of the Standing Committee on Finance on Demands for Grants for 2006-07 of the Ministry of Planning.

I am making this statement on the status of implementation of recommendations contained in the Thirty Eighth Report of the Standing Committee on Finance (14th Lok Sabha) in pursuance of the direction 73 A of the Hon. Speaker, Lok Sabha.

The Thirty Eighth Report of the Standing Committee on Finance (14th Lok Sabha) was presented to the Lok Sabha on 22-5-2006. The report relates to the examination of Demands for Grants of Ministry of Planning for the year 2006-07.

Action Taken Statements on the recommendations / observations contained in the Thirty Eighth Report of the Committee had been sent to the Standing Committee on Finance on 1-9-2006. These formed part of the Forty Seventh Report of the Committee on Action taken by the Government on the Recommendations contained in their Thirty Eighth Report which was presented to the Lok Sabha on 14-12-2006.

There are 7 issues examined by the Committee in their Thirty Eighth Report, which mainly pertain to (i) An overview of the Action Taken by the Government on the Recommendations of the Committee contained in their 18th Report on

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Demands for Grants (2005-06) pertaining to the Ministry of Planning, (ii) Geographical Information System (GIS) and Utility Mapping Project, (iii) Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY). (iv) Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA). (v) Rural Telephone Connectivity, (vi) Rajiv Gandhi Grameen Vidyutikaran Yojana (RGGVY). (vii) Labour and Employment.

The present status of implementation of the various recommendations made by the Committee is indicated in the Annexure to my Statement which is laid on the Table of the House. I would not like to take the valuable time of the House to read out all the contents of this Annexure. I would request that this may be considered as read.